GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANAGA REJUVENATION
LOK SABHA

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Mismanagement under Namami Gange Mission
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANAGA REJUVENATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Namami Gange Mission is a wastage of resources according to people living around the river, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(b) whether Ganga water is getting dirtier day after day especially between Kanpur and Haridwar, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the small factories in the city are throwing untreated waste directly into the river, if so, the reasons for allowing the factories to run on the banks of Ganga and not closing them as yet; and

(d) the steps the Government is taking to correct the mismanagement of the Namami Gange Mission?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS AND MINISTER OF STATE FOR WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION

(SHRI VIJAY GOEL)

(a) No, Madam. Namami Gange Programme is envisaged to make a healthier river; a healthy life for the people residing around it; enhance its ecological resources; and to improve the water quality.

(b) & (c) CPCB is monitoring Water quality of River Ganga at 57 locations from Gangotri to Diamond Harbour which include 12 locations between Haridwar to Kanpur. The findings of CPCB on Water Quality between Haridwar to Kanpur is that the river water quality conformed to bathing criteria at most of the locations during the period 2011 to 2015. The water quality did not conform to the criteria of mass bathing for Faecal Coliform from Kannauj U/s to Kanpur D/s on most of the occasions during 2011-15. Directions have been issued for implementing the water conservation/Zero Liquid Discharge (ZLD) in 5 key industrial sectors namely distillery, pulp & paper, sugar, textile and tannery and for installation of Online Continuous Effluent Quality Monitoring System (OCEMS). 565 units have installed OCEMS out of which 212 such units are connected with CPCB. 149 units have been issued Closure directions, for non-compliance. CPCB has also issued directions to 118 municipalities / local authorities of Ganga to submit a time bound program for implementation of solid waste and sewage treatment.
(d) The Government has not received any report of mismanagement of the Namami Gange Mission.
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